

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
**(Attorney Docket No. 011738.84217)**

In re U.S. Patent Application of Malek <i>et al.</i>	)	
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Application No. 10/002,328	)	Art Unit: 3762
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Filed: November 1, 2001	)	Examiner: Scott M. Getzow
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For: Method and Apparatus for	)	Confirmation No. 3345
Programming an Implantable Medical	)	
Device	)	

**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Final Office Action dated May 26, 2006. The Office Action set a three-month period for response, thus making this paper due on or before **August 26, 2006**. A request for one month extension is being submitted in conjunction with this response. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment of fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.